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## Caltrans

## **NEWS RELEASE**

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## TRAFFIC ADVISORY PERMANENT CLOSURE OF THE CENTER AVENUE/WESTSIDE BOULEVARD AT-GRADE INTERSECTION ON SOUTHBOUND STATE ROUTE 99 IN ATWATER

**Atwater -** The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) will permanently close the southbound State Route 99 (SR-99) at-grade intersection at Central Avenue/Westside Boulevard on Tuesday, March 31, 2009. This access will no longer be available for use. Weather delays prevented this closure from taking place on February 23, 2009.

The next available exit for motorists traveling southbound on SR-99 who are trying to reach Central Avenue/Westside Boulevard is the Atwater Boulevard exit, approximately 1.3 miles.

This closure is part of the \$43 million SR-99 Atwater Freeway Project. This project will convert 2.7 miles of SR-99 from a four-lane expressway to a six-lane freeway.

The project will improve safety, reduce traffic congestion and delays.

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For the safety of workers and other motorists, please Slow For the Cone Zone.

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